REMARKS

Claims 1 - 17 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1 - 17 are amended to eliminate multiple dependencies, remove reference numerals and to better conform the claims to U.S. practice. Prompt and favorable consideration on the merits is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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